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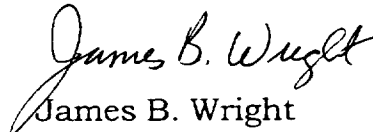
RE: Docket No. 01-00637

Dear Mr. Waddell:

Enclosed for filing in the above case are an original and thirteen copies of Sprint Communications Company L.P.'s responses to Questions 1 and 2 of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority Staff's Data Request dated August 17, 2001.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,


James B. Wright

Enclosure

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TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY
DOCKET NO. 01-00637

SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY L.P. RESPONSES TO
AUGUST 17, 2001 TRA STAFF DATA REQUEST

Question 1: Does this Interconnection Agreement resolve, totally or in part, any issues existing in the current Arbitration, *the Petition of Sprint Communications Company, L.P. for Arbitration with BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. pursuant to Section 252 (b) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996*, Docket # 00-00691?

Answer. No. The substance of this interconnection agreement was either not in dispute or was agreed to for an interim period until the arbitration was completed.

If so, to what degree? N/A

Question 2: When the arbitrated interconnection agreement, resulting from the conclusion of *the Petition of Sprint Communications Company, L.P. for Arbitration with BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. pursuant to Section 252 (b) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996*, Docket #00-00691, is submitted, will the interconnection agreement, Docket # 01-00637 be included as a part of that Agreement?

Answer. The great majority of this interconnection agreement will be included in the interconnection agreement resulting from the conclusion of the arbitration docket. Certain provisions, however, including those relating to UNE combos, will be modified to conform to the TRA's recent precedent and the outcome of the Sprint/BellSouth arbitration proceeding.